



# Program Approval Form

For approval of new programs and deletions or modifications to an existing program.

## Action Requested:

- ☐ Create New (SCHEV approval required except for minors)  
☐ Inactivate Existing  
☒ Modify Existing (check ALL that apply)  
☐ Title (SCHEV approval required except for minors)  
☒ Concentration (Choose one): ☒ Add ☐ Delete ☐ Modify  
☐ Degree Requirements  
☐ Admission Standards/ Application Requirements  
☐ Other Changes: \_\_\_\_\_

## Type (Check one):

- ☒ B.A. ☐ B.S. ☐ Minor  
☐ Master's  
☐ Ph.D.  
☐ Undergraduate Certificate\*  
☐ Graduate Certificate\*  
☐ Bachelor's/Accelerated Master's ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

College/School:

CHSS

Department:

History and Art History

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Effective Term:

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Please note: For students to be admitted to a new degree, minor, certificate or concentration, the program must be fully approved, entered into Banner, and published in the University Catalog.

Justification: (attach separate document if necessary)

To meet student demand for a concentration in U.S. History in addition to other, existing concentrations.

Program Title: (Required)

Title must identify subject matter. Do not include name of college/school/dept.

Concentration(s):

Admissions Standards / Application

Requirements: (Required only if different from those listed in the University Catalog)

Degree Requirements:

Consult University Catalog for models, attach separate document if necessary using track changes for modifications

Courses offered via distance:

(if applicable)

TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED:


Existing	New/Modified
B.A. in History	
	U.S. History
	Please see attached.
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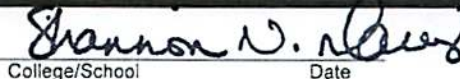
\*For Certificates Only: Indicate whether students are able to pursue on a

☐ Full-time basis

☐ Part-time basis

## Approval Signatures

 11/1/17  
Department Date

 1/9/18  
College/School Date

If this program may impact another unit or is in collaboration with another unit at Mason, the originating department must circulate this proposal for review by those units and obtain the necessary signatures prior to submission. Failure to do so will delay action on this proposal.

Unit Name	Unit Approval Name	Unit Approver's Signature	Date

For Undergraduate Programs only

  
Undergraduate Council Member

Provost Office

Undergraduate Council Approval Date

For Graduate Programs Only

Graduate Council Member

Provost Office

Graduate Council Approval Date

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Banner

Catalog

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## Department of History and Art History

# Memo

To: CHSS Curriculum Committee  
From: Jennifer Ritterhouse, Undergraduate Director and Curriculum Coordinator  
Re: Proposal to create a Concentration in U.S. History in the History BA  
Date: October 27, 2017

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In 2016-17, the Department of History and Art History completed a substantial revision of the curriculum in the History BA to create four new concentrations: Digital History, Public History, Global History, and Individualized. The primary goal was to help students and potential students, their families, and employers see more clearly the connections between the History BA and possible careers. Although the Department recognized at the time that a concentration in U.S. history would appeal to many students, the initial consensus was that completing a concentration in Digital History or Public History with a U.S. focus would be a better choice for enhancing students' career readiness. Thus, the Department chose to prioritize the creation of those skills-based concentrations while allowing a content-based concentration in U.S. History to be completed only through the Individualized concentration option.

The goal of this proposal is to better serve the needs of students who would prefer a U.S. history concentration while maintaining the Department's commitment to students' career readiness. Formalizing a U.S. History concentration will also eliminate the need for every student who wants to focus on U.S. history to work individually with the Undergraduate Director to design an Individualized concentration.

Key elements of the proposed Concentration in U.S. History are depth and breadth: like every History major, students in the Concentration in U.S. History will complete HIST 300: Introduction to Historical Method and HIST 499: RS: Senior Seminar in History (or, for those completing Honors in the major, HIST 491: Honors Directed Research). Students will also be required to take two courses in European history and two courses in Global, Latin America, African, Asian, or Middle Eastern history, ensuring a breadth of knowledge and perspectives. The Department has voted to recommend, but not at present require, that one of students' choices in Global, Latin America, African, Asian, or Middle Eastern history include a course with a broadly global approach such as HIST 394: Globalization and History.

To develop an understanding of U.S. history that is broad as well as deep, students will select five courses in U.S. history with at least two courses from each "half" of U.S. history: Origins to 1877 and 1877-present.

Finally, to contribute to the Department's goal of ensuring that no student graduates from the History BA without devoting time and attention to career readiness, the Concentration in U.S. history includes an Applied history requirement. Students completing the concentration must

either earn three credits in Applied history through one or more internships or they must choose a course from the Department's undergraduate offerings in digital history and public history.

No new resources are required to support the Concentration in U.S. History. Enrollments in the concentration may be modest at first but can be expected to grow. Like the concentrations created last year, the new Concentration in U.S. History may also help attract new students to the History major.

A Program Approval form and catalog language are attached. A simplified outline of the History major with a Concentration in U.S. History is below:

### **CONCENTRATION IN U.S. HISTORY (HISUS)**

In this concentration, students focus in-depth on the history of the United States while developing research and writing skills and completing at least one course in applied history. Students interested in law, government, and other career paths or in graduate education in U.S. history should consider this concentration.

#### **A. Methods and Research**

1. HIST 300: Introduction to Historical Method (3)
2. HIST 499: RS: Senior Seminar in History (3)

#### **B. Breadth**

1. Select two courses in European History (6)
2. Select two courses in Global, Latin American, African, Asian, or Middle Eastern History (6)

#### **C. Applied history**

1. Select one course (3) from the following:
  - HIST 390: The Digital Past
  - HIST 395: Topics in Digital History
  - HIST 396: Introduction to Public History
  - HIST 397: Topics in Public History
  - HIST 399: Internship

#### **D. Concentration**

1. Select five courses (15) in U.S. history, with at least two from each time period:
  - Origins to 1877
  - 1877-Present

### Concentration in U.S. History (HISUS)

In this concentration, students focus in-depth on the history of the United States while developing research and writing skills and completing at least one course in applied history. Students interested in law, government, and other career paths or in graduate education in U.S. history should consider this concentration.

### Core Courses

Code	Course List Title	Credits
<u>HIST 300</u>	Introduction to Historical Method ( <u>Mason Core</u> )	3
<u>HIST 499</u>	RS: Senior Seminar in History ( <u>Mason Core</u> )	3
Select one applied history elective from the following:		3
<u>HIST 390</u>	The Digital Past ( <u>Mason Core</u> )	
<u>HIST 395</u>	Topics in Digital History	
<u>HIST 396</u>	Introduction to Public History	
<u>HIST 397</u>	Topics in Public History	
<u>HIST 399</u>	Internship	
Select five U.S. history courses from the following, with at least two from each list		15
Origins to 1877		
<u>HIST 121</u>	Formation of the American Republic ( <u>Mason Core</u> )	
<u>HIST 335</u>	The African American Experience in the United States: African Background to 1885	
<u>HIST 350</u>	U.S. Women's History	
<u>HIST 351</u>	History of the Old South	
<u>HIST 370</u>	War and American Society	
<u>HIST 373</u>	The Civil War and Reconstruction	
<u>HIST 391</u>	History of Virginia to 1800	
<u>HIST 401</u>	Colonial America	
<u>HIST 403</u>	Revolutionary Era in American History, 1763-1812	
<u>HIST 404</u>	Jacksonian America, 1812-1854	
<u>HIST 389</u>	Topics in U.S. History (when topic applies and with department approval)	
1877-Present		
<u>HIST 122</u>	Development of Modern America ( <u>Mason Core</u> )	
<u>HIST 331</u>	Postwar United States, 1945-1973	
<u>HIST 332</u>	United States since 1973	
<u>HIST 333</u>	The Automobile in the United States	
<u>HIST 336</u>	The African American Experience in the United States: Reconstruction to the Present	
<u>HIST 337</u>	Race and Gender in American Sports	
<u>HIST 338</u>	History of College Athletics	
<u>HIST 339</u>	History of Baseball	
<u>HIST 340</u>	Basketball and the American Experience	
<u>HIST 341</u>	History of Sport in the United States	

Code	Course List Title	Credits
<u>HIST 342</u>	History of the Olympics and the United States	
<u>HIST 350</u>	U.S. Women's History	
<u>HIST 352</u>	The South since 1865	
<u>HIST 370</u>	War and American Society	
<u>HIST 377</u>	The Vietnam War	
<u>HIST 378</u>	History of Aviation	
<u>HIST 380</u>	Uncovering the U.S. Past Through Film	
<u>HIST 392</u>	History of Virginia Since 1800	
<u>HIST 389</u>	Topics in U.S. History (when topic applies and with department approval)	
Total Credits		24

### European History

Code	Course List Title	Credits
Select two courses from the following:		6
<u>HIST 100</u>	History of Western Civilization ( <u>Mason Core</u> ) <sup>1</sup>	
<u>HIST 101</u>	Foundations of Western Civilization	
<u>HIST 102</u>	Development of Western Civilization	
<u>HIST 301</u>	Classical Greece	
<u>HIST 302</u>	Classical Rome	
<u>HIST 304</u>	Western Europe in the Middle Ages	
<u>HIST 305</u>	The Renaissance	
<u>HIST 306</u>	The Reformation	
<u>HIST 307</u>	Old Regime and Revolutionary Europe	
<u>HIST 308</u>	Nineteenth-Century Europe	
<u>HIST 309</u>	Europe in Crisis: 1914-1948	
<u>HIST 312</u>	Nationalism in Eastern Europe	
<u>HIST 314</u>	History of Germany	
<u>HIST 322</u>	Modern Britain	
<u>HIST 326</u>	Stalinism	
<u>HIST 327</u>	The Soviet Union and Russia Since World War II	
<u>HIST 328</u>	Rise of Russia ( <u>Mason Core</u> )	
<u>HIST 329</u>	Modern Russia and the Soviet Union ( <u>Mason Core</u> )	
<u>HIST 388</u>	Topics in European History	
<u>HIST 426</u>	The Russian Revolution	
<u>HIST 436</u>	European Society and Culture: 19th and 20th Centuries	
<u>HIST 480</u>	Alexander the Great	
Total Credits		6

<sup>1</sup> Used to fulfill the Mason Core requirement in Western civilization may also fulfill 3 credits of this requirement

### Global, Latin American, African, Asian, or Middle Eastern History

Students in the Concentration in U.S. History are encouraged to take at least one course with a broadly global perspective such as HIST 394: Globalization and History. Approved courses in history used to fulfill the Mason Core requirement in global understanding and the college-level requirement in non-Western culture may be used to fulfill this requirement.

Code	Course List Title	Credits
Select two courses from the following:		6
<u>HIST 125</u>	Introduction to World History ( <u>Mason Core</u> )	
<u>HIST 202</u>	Freshman/Sophomore Seminar in Global History	
<u>HIST 251</u>	Survey of East Asian History ( <u>Mason Core</u> )	
<u>HIST 252</u>	Survey of East Asian History ( <u>Mason Core</u> )	
<u>HIST 261</u>	Survey of African History ( <u>Mason Core</u> )	
<u>HIST 262</u>	Survey of African History ( <u>Mason Core</u> )	
<u>HIST 271</u>	Survey of Latin American History ( <u>Mason Core</u> )	
<u>HIST 272</u>	Survey of Latin American History ( <u>Mason Core</u> )	
<u>HIST 281</u>	Survey of Middle Eastern Civilization ( <u>Mason Core</u> )	
<u>HIST 282</u>	Survey of Middle Eastern Civilization ( <u>Mason Core</u> )	
<u>HIST 353</u>	History of Traditional China	
<u>HIST 354</u>	Modern China	
<u>HIST 356</u>	Modern Japan ( <u>Mason Core</u> )	
<u>HIST 357</u>	Postwar Japan ( <u>Mason Core</u> )	
<u>HIST 358</u>	Post-1949 China ( <u>Mason Core</u> )	
<u>HIST 359</u>	Modern Iraq	
<u>HIST 360</u>	History of South Africa ( <u>Mason Core</u> )	
<u>HIST 364</u>	Revolution and Radical Politics in Latin America ( <u>Mason Core</u> )	
<u>HIST 365</u>	Conquest and Colonization in Latin America ( <u>Mason Core</u> )	
<u>HIST 366</u>	Comparative Slavery	
<u>HIST 367</u>	History, Fiction, and Film in Latin America	
<u>HIST 384</u>	Global History of Christianity	
<u>HIST 387</u>	Topics in Global History ( <u>Mason Core</u> )	
<u>HIST 394</u>	Globalization in History	
<u>HIST 460</u>	Modern Iran ( <u>Mason Core</u> )	
<u>HIST 461</u>	Arab-Israeli Conflict	
<u>HIST 462</u>	Women in Islamic Society ( <u>Mason Core</u> )	
<u>HIST 465</u>	The Middle East in the 20th Century	
Total Credits		6

**Banner Code: LA-BA-HIST**

**Degree Requirements**

**Total credits: minimum 120**

**Students should be aware of the specific policies associated with this program, located on the Admissions & Policies tab.**

**Before registering, students should see an advisor to help plan their history program to meet Mason Core and college-level requirements. The advisor also can help students choose electives or a minor.**

**Hide All**

**Course List**

**Code Title Credits**

**HIST 300 Introduction to Historical Method (Mason Core) 3**

**HIST 499 RS: Senior Seminar in History (Mason Core) 3**

**Total Credits 6**

**U.S. History**

**Course List**

**Code Title Credits**

**Select two courses from the following: 6**

**HIST 121**

**Formation of the American Republic (Mason Core)**

**HIST 122**

**Development of Modern America (Mason Core)**

**HIST 331**

**Postwar United States, 1945-1973**

**HIST 332**

**United States since 1973**

**HIST 333**

**The Automobile in the United States**

**HIST 335**

**The African American Experience in the United States: African Background to 1885**

**HIST 336**

**The African American Experience in the United States: Reconstruction to the Present**

**HIST 337**

**Race and Gender in American Sports**

**HIST 338**

**History of College Athletics**

**HIST 339**

**History of Baseball**

**HIST 340**

**Basketball and the American Experience**

**HIST 341**

**History of Sport in the United States**

**HIST 342**

**History of the Olympics and the United States**

**HIST 350**

**U.S. Women's History**

**HIST 351**

**History of the Old South**

**HIST 352**

**The South since 1865**

**HIST 370**

**War and American Society**

**HIST 373**

**The Civil War and Reconstruction**



**HIST 377**

The Vietnam War

**HIST 378**

History of Aviation

**HIST 380**

Uncovering the U.S. Past Through Film

**HIST 389**

Topics in U.S. History

**HIST 391**

History of Virginia to 1800

**HIST 392**

History of Virginia Since 1800

**HIST 401**

Colonial America

**HIST 403**

Revolutionary Era in American History, 1763-1812

**HIST 404**

Jacksonian America, 1812-1854

**Total Credits 6**

**European History**

**Course List**

**Code Title Credits**

**Select two courses from the following: 6**

**HIST 100**

\* History of Western Civilization (Mason Core) I

**HIST 101**

Foundations of Western Civilization

**HIST 102**

**Development of Western Civilization**

**HIST 301**

**Classical Greece**

**HIST 302**

**Classical Rome**

**HIST 304**

**Western Europe in the Middle Ages**

**HIST 305**

**The Renaissance**

**HIST 306**

**The Reformation**

**HIST 307**

**Old Regime and Revolutionary Europe**

**HIST 308**

**Nineteenth-Century Europe**

**HIST 309**

**Europe in Crisis: 1914-1948**

**HIST 312**

**Nationalism in Eastern Europe**

**HIST 314**

**History of Germany**

**HIST 322**

**Modern Britain**

**HIST 326**

**Stalinism**

**HIST 327**

**The Soviet Union and Russia Since World War II**

**HIST 328**

**Rise of Russia (Mason Core)**

**HIST 329**

**Modern Russia and the Soviet Union (Mason Core)**

**HIST 388**

**Topics in European History**

**HIST 426**

**The Russian Revolution**

**HIST 436**

**European Society and Culture: 19th and 20th Centuries**

**HIST 480**

**Alexander the Great**

**Total Credits 6**

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**Global, Latin American, African, Asian, or Middle Eastern History**

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**Code Title Credits**

**Select two courses from the following: 6**

**HIST 125**

**Introduction to World History (Mason Core)**

**HIST 202**

**Freshman/Sophomore Seminar in Global History**

**HIST 251**

**Survey of East Asian History (Mason Core)**

**HIST 252**

Survey of East Asian History (Mason Core)

**HIST 261**

Survey of African History (Mason Core)

**HIST 262**

Survey of African History (Mason Core)

**HIST 271**

Survey of Latin American History (Mason Core)

**HIST 272**

Survey of Latin American History (Mason Core)

**HIST 281**

Survey of Middle Eastern Civilization (Mason Core)

**HIST 282**

Survey of Middle Eastern Civilization (Mason Core)

**HIST 353**

History of Traditional China

**HIST 354**

Modern China

**HIST 356**

Modern Japan (Mason Core)

**HIST 357**

Postwar Japan (Mason Core)

**HIST 358**

Post-1949 China (Mason Core)

**HIST 359**

Modern Iraq

**HIST 360**

History of South Africa (Mason Core)

**HIST 364**

**Revolution and Radical Politics in Latin America (Mason Core)**

**HIST 365**

**Conquest and Colonization in Latin America (Mason Core)**

**HIST 366**

**Comparative Slavery**

**HIST 367**

**History, Fiction, and Film in Latin America**

**HIST 384**

**Global History of Christianity**

**HIST 387**

**Topics in Global History (Mason Core)**

**HIST 394**

**Globalization and History**

**HIST 460**

**Modern Iran (Mason Core)**

**HIST 461**

**Arab-Israeli Conflict**

**HIST 462**

**Women in Islamic Society (Mason Core)**

**HIST 465**

**The Middle East in the 20th Century**

**Total Credits 6**

**Electives in the Major**

**Students may also meet the elective requirement by completing an optional concentration.**

**Course List**

**Code Title Credits**

Select four electives in history I 12

Total Credits 12

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Students should choose courses in history at the 300 or 400 levels to meet this requirement if they need credits to complete the 18-credit, upper-level history requirement. In addition to HIST courses, history majors may use one 300-level ARTH course and INRS 240 Reading the Past (Topic Varies) to fulfill this requirement.

#### Available Concentrations

Concentration in Digital History (HISD)

Concentration in Public History (HISP)

Concentration in Global History (HISG)

Individualized Concentration (IND)

#### Concentration in Digital History (HISD)

In this concentration, students explore and develop skills in using digital methods for the research, analysis, and presentation of history. Students interested in graduate education or careers in the digital humanities and new media or in working with digital methods in museums, archives, and other public history institutions should consider this concentration.

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#### Core Courses

##### Course List

Code Title Credits

HIST 300 Introduction to Historical Method (Mason Core) 3

HIST 499 RS: Senior Seminar in History (Mason Core) 3

HIST 390 The Digital Past (Mason Core) 3

Select three electives with at least 6 credits in HIST from the following: 9

HIST 395

#### Topics in Digital History

**ENGH 375**

**Web Authoring and Design**

**ENGH 376**

**Rhetoric and New Media**

**INTS 345**

**Introduction to Multimedia**

**other coursework, including internships, approved by the program director**

**Total Credits 18**

**U.S. History**

**Course List**

**Code Title Credits**

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**History of Baseball**

**HIST 340**

**Basketball and the American Experience**

**HIST 341**

**History of Sport in the United States**

**HIST 342**

**History of the Olympics and the United States**

**HIST 350**

**U.S. Women's History**

**HIST 351**

**History of the Old South**

**HIST 352**

**The South since 1865**

**HIST 370**

**War and American Society**

**HIST 373**

**The Civil War and Reconstruction**

**HIST 377**

**The Vietnam War**

**HIST 378**

**History of Aviation**

**HIST 380**

**Uncovering the U.S. Past Through Film**

**HIST 389**



**Topics in U.S. History**

**HIST 391**

**History of Virginia to 1800**

**HIST 392**

**History of Virginia Since 1800**

**HIST 401**

**Colonial America**

**HIST 403**

**Revolutionary Era in American History, 1763-1812**

**HIST 404**

**Jacksonian America, 1812-1854**

**Total Credits 6**

**European History**

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**HIST 102**

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**HIST 322**

**Modern Britain**

**HIST 326**

**Stalinism**

**HIST 327**

**The Soviet Union and Russia Since World War II**

**HIST 328**

**Rise of Russia (Mason Core)**

**HIST 329**

**Modern Russia and the Soviet Union (Mason Core)**

**HIST 388**

**Topics in European History**

**HIST 426**

**The Russian Revolution**

**HIST 436**

**European Society and Culture: 19th and 20th Centuries**

**HIST 480**

**Alexander the Great**

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**Survey of Latin American History (Mason Core)**

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**Survey of Latin American History (Mason Core)**

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**Survey of Middle Eastern Civilization (Mason Core)**

**HIST 282**

**Survey of Middle Eastern Civilization (Mason Core)**

**HIST 353**

**History of Traditional China**

**HIST 354**

**Modern China**

**HIST 356**

**Modern Japan (Mason Core)**

**HIST 357**

**Postwar Japan (Mason Core)**

**HIST 358**

**Post-1949 China (Mason Core)**

**HIST 359**

**Modern Iraq**

**HIST 360**

**History of South Africa (Mason Core)**

**HIST 364**

**Revolution and Radical Politics in Latin America (Mason Core)**

**HIST 365**

**Conquest and Colonization in Latin America (Mason Core)**

**HIST 366**

**Comparative Slavery**

**HIST 367**

**History, Fiction, and Film in Latin America**

**HIST 384**

**Global History of Christianity**

**HIST 387**

**Topics in Global History (Mason Core)**

**HIST 394**

**Globalization and History**

**HIST 460**

**Modern Iran (Mason Core)**

**HIST 461**

**Arab-Israeli Conflict**

**HIST 462**

**Women in Islamic Society (Mason Core)**

**HIST 465**

**The Middle East in the 20th Century**

**Total Credits 6**

**Concentration in Public History (HISP)**

In this concentration, students explore a variety of issues related to preserving historical materials and presenting historical information to a broader public. Students interested in graduate education in public history or in working in public history institutions such as museums, libraries, archives, and historic sites should consider this concentration.

**Core Courses**

**Course List**

Code	Title	Credits
HIST 300	Introduction to Historical Method (Mason Core)	3
HIST 499	RS: Senior Seminar in History (Mason Core)	3
HIST 396	Introduction to Public History	3
HIST 390	The Digital Past (Mason Core)	3

**HIST 399 Internship I 3**

**Select one elective from the following: 3**

**HIST 397**

**Topics in Public History**

**HIST 380**

**Uncovering the U.S. Past Through Film**

**ARTH 394**

**The Museum (Mason Core)**

**ENGL 370**

**Introduction to Documentary (Mason Core)**

**other coursework, not including internships, approved by the program director**

**Total Credits 18**

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**Students work individually with the department's internship coordinator to find appropriate internships. HIST 399 may be repeated up to a maximum of 9 credits, and students in the public history concentration are encouraged to take more than 3 credits of internships, with additional credits beyond the first 3 counting as general electives.**

**U.S. History**

**Course List**

**Code Title Credits**

**Select two courses from the following: 6**

**HIST 121**

**Formation of the American Republic (Mason Core)**

**HIST 122**

**Development of Modern America (Mason Core)**

**HIST 331**

**Postwar United States, 1945-1973**

**HIST 332**

**United States since 1973**

**HIST 333**

**The Automobile in the United States**

**HIST 335**

**The African American Experience in the United States: African Background to 1885**

**HIST 336**

**The African American Experience in the United States: Reconstruction to the Present**

**HIST 337**

**Race and Gender in American Sports**

**HIST 338**

**History of College Athletics**

**HIST 339**

**History of Baseball**

**HIST 340**

**Basketball and the American Experience**

**HIST 341**

**History of Sport in the United States**

**HIST 342**

**History of the Olympics and the United States**

**HIST 350**

**U.S. Women's History**

**HIST 351**

**History of the Old South**

**HIST 352**

**The South since 1865**

**HIST 370**

**War and American Society**

**HIST 373**

**The Civil War and Reconstruction**

**HIST 377**

**The Vietnam War**

**HIST 378**

**History of Aviation**

**HIST 380**

**Uncovering the U.S. Past Through Film**

**HIST 389**

**Topics in U.S. History**

**HIST 391**

**History of Virginia to 1800**

**HIST 392**

**History of Virginia Since 1800**

**HIST 401**

**Colonial America**

**HIST 403**

**Revolutionary Era in American History, 1763-1812**

**HIST 404**

**Jacksonian America, 1812-1854**

**Total Credits 6**

**European History**

**Course List**

**Code Title Credits**

**Select two courses from the following: 6**

**HIST 100**

**History of Western Civilization (Mason Core) 1**

**HIST 101**



**Foundations of Western Civilization**

**HIST 102**

**Development of Western Civilization**

**HIST 301**

**Classical Greece**

**HIST 302**

**Classical Rome**

**HIST 304**

**Western Europe in the Middle Ages**

**HIST 305**

**The Renaissance**

**HIST 306**

**The Reformation**

**HIST 307**

**Old Regime and Revolutionary Europe**

**HIST 308**

**Nineteenth-Century Europe**

**HIST 309**

**Europe in Crisis: 1914-1948**

**HIST 312**

**Nationalism in Eastern Europe**

**HIST 314**

**History of Germany**

**HIST 322**

**Modern Britain**

**HIST 326**

**Stalinism**

**HIST 327**

**The Soviet Union and Russia Since World War II**

**HIST 328**

**Rise of Russia (Mason Core)**

**HIST 329**

**Modern Russia and the Soviet Union (Mason Core)**

**HIST 388**

**Topics in European History**

**HIST 426**

**The Russian Revolution**

**HIST 436**

**European Society and Culture: 19th and 20th Centuries**

**HIST 480**

**Alexander the Great**

**Total Credits 6**

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**Used to fulfill the Mason Core requirement in Western civilization may also fulfill 3 credits of this requirement**

**Global, Latin American, African, Asian, or Middle Eastern History**

**Approved courses in history used to fulfill the Mason Core requirement in global understanding and the college-level requirement in non-Western culture may be used to fulfill this requirement.**

**Course List**

**Code Title Credits**

**Select two courses from the following: 6**

**HIST 125**

**Introduction to World History (Mason Core)**

**HIST 202**

**Freshman/Sophomore Seminar in Global History**

**HIST 251**

**Survey of East Asian History (Mason Core)**

**HIST 252**

**Survey of East Asian History (Mason Core)**

**HIST 261**

**Survey of African History (Mason Core)**

**HIST 262**

**Survey of African History (Mason Core)**

**HIST 271**

**Survey of Latin American History (Mason Core)**

**HIST 272**

**Survey of Latin American History (Mason Core)**

**HIST 281**

**Survey of Middle Eastern Civilization (Mason Core)**

**HIST 282**

**Survey of Middle Eastern Civilization (Mason Core)**

**HIST 353**

**History of Traditional China**

**HIST 354**

**Modern China**

**HIST 356**

**Modern Japan (Mason Core)**

**HIST 357**

**Postwar Japan (Mason Core)**

**HIST 358**

**Post-1949 China (Mason Core)**

**HIST 359**

**Modern Iraq**

**HIST 360**

**History of South Africa (Mason Core)**

**HIST 364**

**Revolution and Radical Politics in Latin America (Mason Core)**

**HIST 365**

**Conquest and Colonization in Latin America (Mason Core)**

**HIST 366**

**Comparative Slavery**

**HIST 367**

**History, Fiction, and Film in Latin America**

**HIST 384**

**Global History of Christianity**

**HIST 387**

**Topics in Global History (Mason Core)**

**HIST 394**

**Globalization and History**

**HIST 460**

**Modern Iran (Mason Core)**

**HIST 461**

**Arab-Israeli Conflict**

**HIST 462**

**Women in Islamic Society (Mason Core)**

**HIST 465**

**The Middle East in the 20th Century**

**Total Credits 6**

**Concentration in Global History (HISG)**

**In this concentration, students explore the interconnected histories of major world regions beyond the United States and Europe. Students interested in graduate education in global history**

or careers in government or business or with non-governmental organizations or other employers operating in the international arena should consider this concentration. Students in the global history concentration are especially encouraged to study abroad as part of their undergraduate program.

#### Core Courses

##### Course List

Code Title Credits

HIIST 300 Introduction to Historical Method (Mason Core) 3

HIIST 499 RS: Senior Seminar in History (Mason Core) 3

HIIST 394 Globalization and History 3

Select five courses chosen from the following lists. Three of the five courses must be chosen from one of the following areas: Asian, African, Latin American, Middle Eastern and North African, or Russian and Central Asian history. No more than 3 credits of ARTI coursework may apply to the History BA. 15

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##### Asian History

HIIST 251

Survey of East Asian History (Mason Core)

HIIST 252

Survey of East Asian History (Mason Core)

HIIST 353

History of Traditional China

HIIST 354

Modern China

HIIST 356

Modern Japan (Mason Core)

HIIST 357

Postwar Japan (Mason Core)

HIIST 358

Post-1949 China (Mason Core)

HIIST 387

**Topics in Global History (Mason Core) (depending on topic)**

**Other HIST coursework approved by the program director**

**ARTH 203**

**Survey of Asian Art (Mason Core)**

**ARTH 382**

**Arts of India (Mason Core)**

**ARTH 383**

**Arts of Southeast Asia (Mason Core)**

**ARTH 384**

**Arts of China (Mason Core)**

**ARTH 385**

**Arts of Japan (Mason Core)**

**African History**

**HIST 261**

**Survey of African History (Mason Core)**

**HIST 262**

**Survey of African History (Mason Core)**

**HIST 360**

**History of South Africa (Mason Core)**

**HIST 366**

**Comparative Slavery**

**HIST 387**

**Topics in Global History (Mason Core) (depending on topic)**

**Other HIST coursework approved by the program director**

**ARTH 206**

**Survey of African Art (Mason Core)**

**Latin American History**

**HIST 271**

**Survey of Latin American History (Mason Core)**

**HIST 272**

**Survey of Latin American History (Mason Core)**

**HIST 364**

**Revolution and Radical Politics in Latin America (Mason Core)**

**HIST 365**

**Conquest and Colonization in Latin America (Mason Core)**

**HIST 366**

**Comparative Slavery**

**HIST 367**

**History, Fiction, and Film in Latin America**

**HIST 387**

**Topics in Global History (Mason Core) (depending on topic)**

**Other HIST coursework approved by the program director**

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**ARTH 204**

**Survey of Latin American Art (Mason Core)**

**Middle Eastern & North African History**

**HIST 281**

**Survey of Middle Eastern Civilization (Mason Core)**

**HIST 282**

**Survey of Middle Eastern Civilization (Mason Core)**

**HIST 359**

**Modern Iraq**

**HIST 460**

**Modern Iran (Mason Core)**

**HIST 461**

**Arab-Israeli Conflict**

**HIST 462**

**Women in Islamic Society (Mason Core)**

**HIST 465**

**The Middle East in the 20th Century**

**HIST 387**

**Topics in Global History (Mason Core) (depending on topic)**

**Other HIST coursework approved by the program director**

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**ARTH 318**

**Art and Archaeology of Ancient Egypt**

**ARTH 319**

**Art and Archaeology of the Ancient Near East (Mason Core)**

**ARTH 320**

**Art of the Islamic World (Mason Core)**

**Russian & Central Asian History**

**HIST 326**

**Stalinism**

**HIST 327**

**The Soviet Union and Russia Since World War II**

**HIST 328**

**Rise of Russia (Mason Core)**

**HIST 329**

**Modern Russia and the Soviet Union (Mason Core)**

**HIST 426**

**The Russian Revolution**

**HIST 387**



Topics in Global History (Mason Core) (depending on topic)  
Other HIST coursework approved by the program director

ARTH 386

The Silk Road (Mason Core)

World History

HIST 125

Introduction to World History (Mason Core)

HIST 384

Global History of Christianity

HIST 387

Topics in Global History (Mason Core) (depending on topic)

Other HIST coursework approved by the program director

Optional foreign language skills development course in history 2 1

HIST 386

Topics in History

Select four electives in history 3 11-12

Total Credits 36

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~~Three of the five courses must be chosen from one of the following areas: Asian, African, Latin American, Middle Eastern and North African, or Russian and Central Asian history.~~

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Working individually with their instructor for an upper-level HIST course, students may pursue historical reading or other work to develop skills in an appropriate foreign language in which they have already met the CISS requirement for intermediate-level proficiency.

Students should choose courses in history at the 300- or 400-levels to meet this requirement if they need to complete the 18-credit, upper-level history requirement. In addition to HIST courses, students may apply HNRS 240 Reading the Past (Topic Varies) and/or one 300-level ARTH course not counted above toward this requirement. In total, no more than 3 credits of ARTH may be applied to the history BA.

#### Individualized Concentration (IND)

Students who wish to design their own concentration must submit a one-page proposal and create a curriculum plan to be approved by the program director. This option may be particularly appropriate for students who want to focus on U.S. history or European history without emphasis on digital or public history methods.

All students in the individualized concentration will be required to complete HIST 300: Introduction to Historical Method, HIST 499: RS: Senior Seminar in History, and 15-18 credits of breadth requirements modeled on the geographic distribution coursework in the History BA without concentration. For their remaining 12-15 credits in history, students will work with the program director to plan coursework that explores their chosen concentration across time periods and geographical lines as appropriate.

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The university requires all students to complete at least one course designated as "writing intensive" in their majors at the 300 level or above. Students majoring in history may fulfill this requirement by successfully completing:

#### Course List

Code	Title	Credits
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HIST 300	Introduction to Historical Method (Mason Core)	3
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or HIST 499	RS: Senior Seminar in History (Mason Core)	
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Total Credits		3
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